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FOR TELATT

1. CONFIRMING PROHME-HUFFCUTT PHONCON, KASSENS WILL NOT
ATTEND SG-10 MEEING.

2. FYI. US CANDIDATE FOR POST OF DIRECTOR, CCIR, WILL BE
RICHARD C. KIRBY, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. KIRBY WILL
ATTEND MEETING OF SG-1; HOWEVER, NO ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS
CANDIDACY IS TO BE MADE DURING SG MEETINGS UNLESS ITU
SECRETARY GENERAL IS IN RECEIPT OF FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT BY
USG. KIRBY INSTRUCTED TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH HERBSTREIT
AND REACH UNDERSTANDING IN REGARD TIMING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS
OF KIRBY'S CANDIDACY AND HERBSTREIT'S DECISION TO RETIRE.
(DEPARTMENT OF OPINION THAT ANNOUNCEMENTS SOON DURING
COURSE OF SG MEETINGS COULD BE BENEFICIAL TO KIRBY.) KIRBY
ALSO TO DISCUSS WITH RICHARD BUTLER, ITU DEPUTY SEC GEN,
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WHO BELIEVES ANNOUNCEMENT OF US CANDIDATE SHOULD NOT BE

MADE UNTIL SG MEETINGS ARE COMPLETED. KIRBY WILL REPORT
CONCLUSIONS OF THOSE DISCUSSIONS TO TELATT FOR TRANS-
MISSION TO DEPARTMENT. IN MEANTIME, ALTHOUGH KIRBY'S
CANDIDACY KNOWN TO MANY PEOPLE IN US, ANY QUIRIES IS GENEVA
SHOULD BE RESPONDED TO ALONG LINES THAT "IF HERBSTREIT
RETIRES THE US WILL HAVE A WELL QUALIFIED CANDIDATE." CASEY

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